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SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON APRIL 18 MEETING (SALT TWO-618)

1. IN TODAY'S MEETING I MADE A STATEMENT ON PARAS 5 AND 6 OF ARTICLE V OUR DRAFT (EXCESS NUMBER UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND EXTRA MISSILES AND RE-LOAD CAPABILITIES AT ICBM FIELDS) AND SEMENOV MADE STATEMENT ON ARTICLE VIII THEIR DRAFT (ASMS ON AIRCRAFT OTHER THAN BOMBERS AND TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT AS DELIVERY VEHICLES FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS).

2. IN OUR PRIVATE CONVERSATION I URGED ONLY ONE PLENARY NEXT WEEK IN ORDER TO ALLOW WORKING GROUPS MAXIMUM TIME FOR MEETINGS. I ALSO SAID NEXT WEEK I HAD NO FURTHER PLENARY STATEMENTS TO MAKE. HE WAS VERY INSISTENT UPON TWO PLENARIES, AS HE SAID HE HAD FURTHER STATEMENTS TO MAKE. IT WAS AGREED THAT I MAY NOT MAKE ANY STATEMENT AT EITHER OR BOTH THOSE MEETINGS.

3. WE HAD INCONCLUSIVE DISCUSSION OF HOW WE WOULD RECEIVE AND HANDLE WORKING GROUP REPORTS. I SAID MY OBJECTIVE WAS TO DO MAXIMUM TO IDENTIFY AND AGREE WHAT WERE KEY OUTSTANDING ISSUES

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PRIOR TO ANY RECESS. MATTER WAS LEFT THAT HE WILL DISCUSS FURTHER

WITH HIS DELEGATION AND WE WILL AGAIN HAVE PRIVATE MEETING ON MONDAY AT 12.

4. IN HIS BILATERAL CONVERSATION WITH MAY SHCHUKIN WAS NOT PREPARED TODAY TO GO INTO MUCH FURTHER DISCUSSION ON "ANONYMOUS" COMPLEX RULE AND IT WAS AGREED THAT THEY WOULD MEET PRIVATELY AT LUNCH ON MONDAY. IN RESPONSE TO MAY'S COMMENT THAT FROM THE STAND-POINT OF UTILITY OF VERIFICATION THE EARLIER A COMPLEX DESIGNATION TOOK PLACE THE BETTER, AND IN PARTICULAR IT SHOULD TAKE PLACE BEFORE MISSILE DEPLOYMENT BEGAN, SHCHUKIN NEITHER AGREED NOR DISAGREED.

5. IN HIS BILATERAL WITH ROWNY, TRUSOV DWELT ON CONTRAST BETWEEN AMERICAN APPROACH MAKING "CAPABILITY" THE KEY FACTOR AS COMPARED WITH THE SOVIET APPROACH OF MAKING "INTENT" THE KEY FACTOR. THIS ELEMENT, WHICH IS INCREASINGLY EMERGING IN OUR NEGOTIATIONS HERE, OF COURSE FINDS ITS EXPRESSION IN MANY PLACES IN THE TWO DRAFTS, AND IS, FOR EXAMPLE, ILLUSTRATED BY SOVIET USE OF TERM "LAUNCHERS FOR" AS COMPARED WITH OUR USE OF TERM "LAUNCHERS CAPABLE OF". REMAINDER OF THEIR CONVERSATION WAS PRIMARILY DEVOTED TO ORGANIZATION OF THEIR WORKING GROUP ACTIVITIES.

6. NEXT MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 22.

7. NO HIGHLIGHTS CABLE. JOHNSON

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